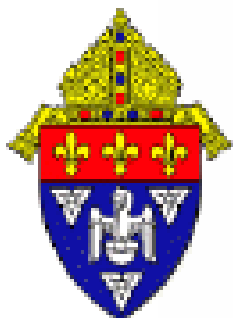


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# THE VERCELLIAN



## BE NOT AFRAID

“Be Not Afraid”, written by Robert J. Dufford S.J., is a comforting hymn whenever we hear it in our liturgy. However, in other scripture references, the words Ghost, Spirit and Exorcism often create a foreboding within my imagination. I was pleased when the word Ghost was replaced by Spirit in the Sign of the Cross: In the Name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, Amen.

The definitions of the nouns for Ghost and Spirit in Google are: Ghosts “an apparition of a dead person which is believed to appear or become manifest to the living, typically as a nebulous (unclear, vague or ill-defined image.) Spirit, the nonphysical part of a person which is the seat of motions and character, the soul.” Spirit, to me, is more comforting and less frightening than Ghost. Exorcism, according to Google definition, is “the expulsion or attempted expulsion of a supposed evil spirit from a person or place...”

Mental health issues are often mistaken for demonic possession.”

I do not recall an explanation given for why parishioners were directed to recite the “Prayer To Saint Michael” after Mass. Recently it was brought to my attention that the prayer is one of the church’s exorcist prayers. We are aware that our church is at war with evil. Satan exists. It is good for us to have Saint Michael’s help in defending us against the snares of the devil. Was not Jesus one of the first exorcists? We should not be afraid but recommit ourselves to our Faith.

Vince Petreikis  
President  
Archdiocese of New Orleans Union of Holy Name Societies

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# ROSARY DRIVE



## RADIO ROSARY 76st Anniversary

ROSARY DRIVE ENVELOPES ARE  
AVAILABLE PLEASE CONTACT  
BOB RAUCH AT 831-343488 OR  
722-9422

**Deadline:  
March 31, 2023**



“Dear children! Keep converting and clothe yourselves in penitential garments and in personal, deep prayer; and in humility, seek peace from the Most High. In this time of grace, Satan wants to seduce you; but you, little children, keep looking at my Son and follow Him towards Calvary in renunciation and fasting. I am with you because the Most High permits me to love you and lead you towards the joy of the heart, in faith which grows for all those who love God above all. Thank you for having responded to my call.”



## *EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING*

All Holy Name Society members are encouraged to attend our monthly executive board meeting held on the third Tuesday of every month. Come and bring your ideas and be a part of our renewal plans and future success!

**Our next meeting is  
March 21, 2023 at 12:00 pm.  
at St. Clement of Rome  
4317 Richland Ave. Metairie, La.**

# **COME JOIN US!!**

The continued success of our society is greatly dependent on our members attending and supporting the decisions made at these meetings. Your attendance will help us to continue bringing new and innovative ideas to our members.

Our website address is

[www.noauhns.org](http://www.noauhns.org)

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Please notice that the website includes an icon to make donations to the Holy Name Society and the Rosary Drive.

**Website Highlights**

**9 day Novena to Blessed John of Vercelli**

**Video clip of the rededication of the Shrine of Blessed John of Vercelli at St. Dominic Church**

**Holy Name Society Monthly Newsletter**

**Holy Name Society Radio Rosary Schedule**

**Memorial list of deceased members and families**

**Please take advantage of the many benefits of our website!**

**Please send in information on any activities taking place in your parish! This will make it possible to send it out to all of the other Holy Name Societies!**

**Please contact Anthony Smith at 481-3407 or email me at [anthonys2029@gmail.com](mailto:anthonys2029@gmail.com)**

**The 2023 RADIO ROSARY SCHEDULE has been emailed to each parish if you have not received it please contact me at 504-481-3407.**

**The National Holy Name Societies website address is NAHNS.COM**

**You can also like us on facebook! The link is: <https://www.facebook.com/hnsnola>**

## 6 Essential Ways To Engage Catholic Young Adults

By Armado Cervantes <https://catholic-link.org/catholic-young-adult-outreach/>

The Catholic young adults of today can often feel alone and excluded from many parish activities. What can we do to meet their needs and ensure they grow spiritually in their Catholic faith? Below you'll find six suggestions that have proven to be successful in the Diocese of Orange, California.

### 6 Essential Ways To Engage Catholic Young Adults

**Utilize technology and digital spaces.** Young adults are constantly chatting, watching, listening, following via multiple platforms. We must be present to communicate and engage where they are. While acknowledging the challenges of the virtual world, take advantage of its incredible opportunities to outreach to Catholic young adults. In the ever-changing era of technology, we must find practical ways of bringing the Gospel to the spaces where young adults spend their time. Digital Evangelization is critical and helps us reach outside of our geographical boundaries! **Offer Service Opportunities** Invite Catholic young adults to put their faith in action – and go out and be the hands and feet of Christ by SERVING. Young adults deeply care about the communities where they live and about our brothers and sisters in need. When our parishes serve others, we concretely live out our calling to love our neighbor and, by engaging young adults in this endeavor of service, we provide them with concrete practices to live out our faith. We must continuously witness serving others!

**Foster Authentic Parish-based communities of young adults** Young adults value authenticity as a marker of a community that cares about them and cares for them—of a community with no hidden agendas that is ready and willing to walk with them on their journey of life and faith. Additionally, there is a deep desire for connection and intimacy, and an authentic parish-based community is able to offer just that. In this way, the Church creates a true spiritual family; a “home” within the Body of Christ – that all people, especially young adults, yearn for.

**Lead with the Spirit of Accompaniment** Pope Francis invites us as leaders in the church to be companions of faith – to accompany young adults in a real way – wherever they are. While we meet at the parish to worship God, young adults can also be found gathering, thriving, and living out their faith outside of our parish walls. Look for ways to accompany them by going for a hike, meeting at a bar, or attending a concert together; this companionship creates spaces to talk about faith, pray together and remind them that Christ is in our midst. Every space where young adults currently meet – is a space where accompaniment and ministry can happen.

**Listen to their Needs and Invite them to be Protagonists** Often, we approach young adults with preconceived ideas of their needs, challenges, concerns, etc. A Church that listens is a Church that genuinely can engage with the lives of young adults better. If we can find solutions together, we will activate them and make them part of discovering their role, responsibility, and vocation. As young adults—they are men and women with multiple gifts, talents, careers, expertise, and more – and they are ready and willing to engage in solutions. If we open the doors of our parishes to their contributions, we will be surprised by how revitalized our parish life can become.

**Engage young adults in the National Eucharistic Revival** We are witnessing a revival of our faith, of our love for Christ in the Eucharist across the United States. Find ways to engage our young adults with these efforts! Here in Orange County – we have various opportunities including the YOUNG ADULT EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL CAMPOUT (March 10-12) at Santiago Retreat Center in Southern California. Speakers like Fr. Stan Fortuna, C.F.R.; James Wahlberg, filmmaker, author and evangelist; Dan DeMatte, Damascus executive director of Missions and Advancement; and others will join together for an unprecedented 3-day campout for friendship with Christ and each other. Join the revival from California or wherever you are in the world by registering [here!](#) Watch Fr. Stañ Fortuna’s welcome video [here](#) and James Walhberg’s invitation [here](#). Follow us on Instagram if you want to connect and/or know more about the campout and other events for young adults [@socialcatholic](#).



**HOLY NAME NEWSLETTER  
ADS AND MEMORIALS**

**IF YOU WISH TO PLACE AN AD PLEASE EMAIL YOUR  
AD COPY TO ANTHONYS2029@GMAIL.COM**

The cost for and ad is used to defer the administrative cost to publish the newsletter. **We would appreciate it if those parishes that haven't taken an ad please speak to your members about taking out and ad.** We have lowered the cost to make it possible for more parishes to afford to take an ad and support our efforts. Please contact Anthony Smith at 481-3407 about renewing your ad if you haven't done so already. Thanks to those parishes that have supported us.

Yearly ads: 3 ½" X 2" ..... \$ 5.00  
                  4 ½ X 3" ..... \$15.00  
                  5 ½ X 4" ..... \$25.00

**Memorials—\$ 5.00/per year**

**If you have a loved one that you would like to add to our memorial or obituary page please email the information to:  
anthonys2029@gmail.com**

**If any updates need to be made on your ad please contact us at 481-3407**



## **WVOG – 600 AM LIVE RADIO ROSARY BROADCAST**

**The live Radio Rosary broadcast is temporarily postponed and the radio station will be playing the pre-recorded tapes. We hope to resume live broadcasts as soon possible. We are working to resolve this problem.**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE: We are being charged \$50.00 by the radio station everytime a parish does not keep their scheduled night to pray the Rosary. It is extremely important that you have someone available on your scheduled night, even if it is only one person to call in from their home and recite the Rosary!!**

# parish reports

**Our Lady of Perpetual Help— Reported they had 11 members attended their monthly meeting. Three members attended their monthly mass.**

**St. Clement— Reported they had 4 members that prayed the Rosary.**

**St. Maria Goretti— Reported they had 26 members at their monthly meeting. They had 17 members that attended Rosary recitation.**

**St. Matthew— They held their annual Radio Rosary drive and raised \$1700.00**

**Blessed Sacrament— No report.**

**St. Christopher— They had 11 members that attended their mass and meeting and prayed the Rosary before mass. They will have a Day of Reflection on 3/9/2023.**

**Christ the King— Reported they had 20 members that attended their monthly meeting. They had 12 members that attended their monthly mass.**

**Most Holy Trinity— They reported they recite the Holy Name Pledge before all masses.**

**We encourage ALL Holy Name Society parishes to send in your monthly report to be included in future parish reports!**



Minutes February 16, 2023 Archdiocese of New Orleans Union of Holy Name Societies

Executive Committee Meeting  
St Clement of Rome Parish Center.

Members not present Benny Harris, Audi Nero

Meeting started at 12:00 noon.

Rosary recited, Pledge of Allegiance, Holy Name Pledge and Opening prayers recited.

Treasurer's Report provided by Bill Siegel.

Call to order President, Vince Petreikis

Larry Lagarde led group with prayer of Thanksgiving for food. Luncheon break.

Parish Reports provided, Info to be found in next newsletter.

Old Business

Radio Rosary: Tomorrow Joe Simon will resolve APP situation with the Radio Rosary.

We will resume saying the Radio Rosary the first week after Mardi Gras, February 27. Either with the APP or calling the station using our smart phones or Androids

New Business

State Convention: Date April 16 th . Location St. Marie Goretti's church. Convention will follow similar procedures as in past years. St. Maria Goretti's is known to conduct excellent conventions. Bob Rauch arranging a speaker and as back up Joe Simon will suggest an alternate speaker.

Larry Lagarde reported National Holy Name Society will celebrate its 750th Anniversary in 2024.

The Vercellian Newsletter Discussed as well as terminology of Spirits versus Ghosts discussed. Joe Simon pointed out that prayer to St. Michaels is a prayer of exorcism. Next newsletter will encourage a greater attendance at state convention.

Larry LaGarde motioned the meeting to adjoin.

Meeting concluded at 1:15PM

After Joe Simon recited closing prayers.

# Holy Name Society Annual Convention

**SUNDAY APRIL 16, 2023  
ST. MARIA GORETTI CHURCH  
7300 CROWDER BLVD.  
NEW ORLEANS, LA.**

**The Rosary will be prayed prior to mass beginning at 7:55 am followed by 8:30 Mass.**

**Following mass, Breakfast and the Convention will be held in the Msgr. Gauthreaux Center.**

**Please encourage your Holy Name Society members to attend our annual convention and join in fellowship with our brothers and sisters.**

# **HOLY NAME SOCIETY MEMORIAL AND SPECIAL INTENTION PRAYER LIST**

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In Loving Memory Of

Patricia Smith  
Amelia Kandalajt  
Lee Le Blanc  
Georgia Le Blanc  
Audrey Ledet  
Vicky Ledet  
Jerry Hymel  
Conchetta & Peter Seleci  
Vincent Seleci  
Gasper Seleci  
Theresa & Douglas Haskins  
“In Memory of Our Deceased HNS Members –  
Our Lady of the Rosary Church”  
Ignace Tanner  
Vergel Duplessis  
Ben Raphael  
Aaron Gilyard  
Archbishop Philip Hannan  
Rev. John Bendix S. D. Past Spiritual Director  
Rev. Reginald Masterson - Past Spiritual Director  
Rev. Victor Brown—Past Spiritual Director  
Msgr. Lawrence Earl Gauthreaux— Past Spiritual  
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Evelyn Cuccia  
Kevin Cuccia  
Anthony V. Cuccia  
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Jean Darnall  
Richard Hoffman  
Donald Mossy  
Frank Connelly  
Carroll Le Blanc  
Carol Le Blanc  
Joyce Kurtich  
John Calico  
Joseph Warr  
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DiFranco Family  
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Lois Zitzmann  
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Joyce Gautreaux  
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HOLY NAME SOCIETY**

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